A.D. "Pete" Correll has served as chairman and chief executive officer of Atlanta-based Georgia-Pacific Corp. since 1993. Correll joined the company in 1988 as senior vice president - pulp and printing paper, and was promoted to executive vice president - pulp and paper the following year. He was elected president and chief operating officer in 1991.

During his tenure as chairman and CEO, Georgia-Pacific has dramatically enhanced its portfolio of assets, growing its higher-value consumer products businesses while reducing its involvement in commodity forest products. The company also turned around its environmental and safety performance under Correll's leadership. In 1997, the company broke with industry tradition and created a separate operating company for its timberlands that ultimately was merged with Plum Creek Timber Company, creating more than \$2 billion of shareholder value.

Prior to joining Georgia-Pacific, Correll served in executive management positions with Mead Corp. for 11 years. He began his career with Westvaco, and worked for 10 years in management roles with Weyerhaeuser Company.

A native of Brunswick, Georgia, Correll holds a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Georgia and master's degrees in pulp and paper technology and chemical engineering from the University of Maine.

Correll serves as an outside director on the boards of Mirant Corp., Norfolk Southern Corp. and SunTrust Banks, Inc. He also serves on the boards of various industry and non-profit organizations, including The Nature Conservancy, the American Forest & Paper Association, the Institute of Paper Science and Technology, the Business Council, The Carter

Center and the University of Georgia Foundation.

Among his accomplishments as a wellknown civic leader in metropolitan Atlanta are leading the task force that created the Georgia Regional Transportation Authority (GRTA), a single entity charged with managing transportation solutions for the area, as well as spearheading corporate fund-raising efforts to complete renovations to the historic Ebenezer Baptist Church. His efforts as chair of Central Atlanta Progress formed the highly-visible "Ambassador Force" that patrols and assists visitors in downtown Atlanta.